

**TRAFFIC SAFETY AND PARKING COMMITTEE MINUTES****Wednesday, July 7, 2010 - 7:00 pm**San Bruno City Hall
567 El Camino Real
San Bruno, CA 94066**MINUTES****1. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS -****A. ROLL CALL**

<u>TSPC Members:</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mark Howard (Chair)		X
Eric Wood (Vice-Chair)	X	
Tom Hamilton	X	
Doris Maez	X	
Jessica Barnes-Lopez	X	

Staff in Attendance:Klara Fabry, Public Works Department
Tina Tseng, Public Works Department
Matt Campi, Police DepartmentPublic in Attendance Total: 2**2. REVIEW OF AGENDA**

Approved as submitted.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTESApproval of the June 2, 2010 meeting minutes made by Tom Hamilton, second by Doris Maez.
(M/Hamilton, S/Maez: 4-0-0) Approved.**4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

John Swendson, 755 Walnut Street, stated he is a teacher for severely handicapped students in San Francisco. He has recently moved to his home in San Bruno and is very concerned about the amount of aircraft noise in San Bruno. He has contacted the Office of Noise Abatement at SFO and has met with them twice to get radar and decibel readings from his yard. The decibel readings are actually monthly averages and some of the larger planes create 95 decibels and shake the house. He stated

the lower planes take off, the more fuel they save, but it is ruining the quality of life in San Bruno, especially late at night and early in the morning.

5. REGULAR BUSINESS

A. Recommendation for Two Blue Zone Requests In Various Residential Areas

Tina Tseng stated there is a correction on page 2 of the staff report. Under "RECOMMENDATION" the address listed as 714 Cypress should actually be 417 Cypress.

Item 5A(1): Tina stated the applicant for this item is an elderly resident that uses medical oxygen and is requesting a blue curb be installed in front of her apartment building, as she has difficulty climbing stairs. She was not able to attend tonight's meeting. Staff made a site visit to the location at 2200 Princeton and noted that there is still a grading issue to make the location ADA compliant, so this blue curb would not really assist her. Staff feels this is an owner/tenant issue so the recommendation is to deny this request.

Jessica Barnes-Lopez asked about ADA compliance being listed on the parking policy checklist. Tina responded that this has been added to the pending parking policy, so staff can provide her with an updated copy of the policy. Doris Maez stated the final draft has not yet been approved by the City Council.

Jessica Barnes-Lopez stated she was unclear what made this location ADA non-compliant. Tina responded that typically the slope of the location as well as the stairs could be deciding factors. 2200 Princeton has a running slope of more than 5% and across the sidewalk there may be more than a 2% slope. The design of the location would have to be changed.

Doris Maez stated when she drove by the location there was a car parked in the loading zone and there is nothing this resident can do about that. Tina confirmed she drove by the location twice and there were cars parked in the loading zone both times. Doris stated the requestor's health issue is not a mobility problem, but a breathing problem.

Eric Wood stated he agrees with the staff recommendation.

Tom Hamilton made a motion to accept the staff recommendation for Item 5A(1) to deny the request for a blue curb installation at 2200 Princeton Drive. Second by Jessica Barnes-Lopez. Doris Maez abstained. (M/Hamilton, S/Barnes-Lopez: 3-0-1) Approved.

Item 5A(2): Tina stated this is a request for a blue curb installation in front of 755 Walnut by resident owner John Swendsen. Tina stated staff has reviewed the location and the residence has available parking in the garage and the driveway, so the staff recommendation is to deny this request.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD OPENED

John Swendsen, 755 Walnut Street, stated he has numerous injuries that have made walking long distances difficult and often has other cars parked in front of his home. He withdrew his request based on the logic of the staff's recommendation.

Eric Wood stated that he can appeal to the City Council in the future if he so chooses.

No vote was made as the resident withdrew the request.

B. Recommendation for One Special Designated Parking Request in Residential Area

Tina stated resident Tom Dietrich, 417 Cypress, requested a designated parking space for his residence, as his home does not have a garage or a driveway. This would enable the resident to park in close proximity to their home. Tina stated the staff reviewed the location and stated the resident knew about this when they purchased the property. City staff's recommendation is for the owner to improve their home to provide private onsite parking for their vehicle.

Doris Maez asked if the resident would be able to add a driveway according to the City code. Tina responded they would be able to do this, but they would need to pull an encroachment permit to work in the City's right of way and a building permit.

Klara Fabry stated the property is heavily landscaped and it appears the owners made a choice to improve the property without adding a garage.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD OPENED

Tom Dietrich, 417 Cypress Avenue, stated he has lived in this home since 1989. He is not asking for a private parking space, but a curb cut in front of the property to be installed to help with unloading their vehicle after shopping. He stated they couldn't afford to install a driveway at this time. His hope is that a curb cut will discourage other vehicles from parking at this location.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD CLOSED

Eric Wood stated the owner may be able to do the curb cut work themselves to save money. He would recommend talking to City staff about it.

Klara Fabry stated City staff may be able to review this and recommend a reasonable solution.

Matt Campi clarified with the resident that a cut out is not enforceable by police, so the cut out location will be usable by any vehicle parking on the street. Mr. Dietrich confirmed that he understood this.

Klara stated Tina will follow up with the resident directly.

Tom Hamilton made a motion to accept the staff's recommendation to deny the request. Second by Jessica Barnes-Lopez. (M/Hamilton, S/Lopez: 4-0-0) Approved.

REPORT OF COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Doris Maez, Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee representative, stated the Committee discussed development of way finding signage around Tanforan and Bayhill. The Committee also participated in the Posy Parade and had an information booth at the event, as well as involvement in Bike to Work Day. There have been public relation campaigns on San Bruno Cable regarding bike and pedestrian safety issues.

6. COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Doris Maez stated that Grade Separation project work is proceeding and official construction should begin in October.

Doris Maez stated Crestwood between Rollingwood and the South San Francisco boundary has been paved and it looks great. At the corner of Fleetwood and Crestwood, the stop line has been moved back, but there needs to be some red zone installation to improve the line of sight. A driver cannot see

a pedestrian when vehicles are parked adjacent to the corner. A crosswalk may be considered at this location. At Rollingwood and Crestwood, the stop line has been moved back so pedestrians have to cross at the crosswalk and there is an additional stop line for visibility.

7. COMMENTS FROM STAFF

Klara Fabry stated the High Speed Rail Project is gaining momentum. San Bruno staff is observing how other cities are developing the construction details for this project and how the design will impact San Bruno and the residents.

Matt Campi stated there are two upcoming DUI checkpoints for July. One is set for July 15 and the other date has not been determined yet. The police department is still performing ongoing DUI saturation patrols and speed enforcement as part of the 0910 grant.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To adjourn the Traffic Safety and Parking Committee (TSPC) meeting until it's next regular scheduled meeting on August 4, 2010 at 7 p.m.

(M/Hamilton, S/Maez): 4-0-0 - Approved. Meeting Adjourned, 8:00 pm.